

REMARKS

Applicant(s) and applicants' attorney again express appreciation to the Examiner for the courtesies extended during the recent teleconference. Reconsideration and allowance for the above-identified application are now respectfully requested.

With this paper, Applicant hereby cancels claim 1, claims 13-33, and claim 39 without prejudice. In addition, Applicant hereby adds new claim 40, which recites that the decorative architectural panel has been thermoformed about one or more compressible objects with "a plurality of pressures, at least one of the plurality of pressures being greater than or equal to a critical pressure." Claims 2-12 and 34-37 have been amended to depend from claim 40. New claims 41-42 are also new dependent claims refining features of the one or more compressible objects recited in claim 40. As such, Applicant respectfully submits therefore that the instant application is now in condition for allowance.

As a final matter, Applicant wishes to draw the Examiner's attention to the previously filed amendment to the specification, which amends priority, and which we have included again in this amendment only for the Examiner's reference. Accordingly, this should not be construed as a new amendment or replacement amendment to what has already been granted.

In the event that the Examiner finds remaining impediment to a prompt allowance of this application that may be clarified through a telephone interview, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned attorney.

Dated this ____ day of _____, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,



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